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Tioga Responds to Possible Compromise of Apartment Complex's Water System

BISMARCK, N.D. – On April 10, Tioga officials became aware of a possible compromise of the water system at an apartment complex in Tioga. Officials were told that chemicals, possibly including antifreeze, may have been introduced into the complex's water system to thaw water lines. Tioga officials have notified the 20 affected individuals at the complex of the possible chemical exposure.

City officials isolated and disconnected the water to the apartment complex and are in the process of flushing that portion of the system. The North Dakota Department of Health has experts in Tioga to assist with testing, and will test the samples to assure the water is safe before the supply is reconnected. The compromised area is without water, but the rest of the water system in Tioga is safe and operational.

Because there is no way to determine how much, if any, chemicals may have been consumed by residents, as a precaution, local officials, the Upper Missouri District Health Unit and the North Dakota Department of Health are recommending that the affected residents be tested at Tioga Medical Center for possible chemical poisoning.

For additional information about this incident, please contact Tim Wiedrich (information above) or President of the Tioga City Commission, Nathan Germundson, at tiogapresident@hotmail.com.

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